

The Honorable James L. Robart

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

NORTHWEST ENVIRONMENTAL
ADVOCATES,

Plaintiff,

v.

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL
PROTECTION AGENCY,

Defendant.

CASE NO. 2:19-cv-01051-JLR

JOINT STATUS REPORT AND
~~[PROPOSED]~~ ORDER

Noted for: November 3, 2020

Plaintiff Northwest Environmental Advocates (“NWEA”) and Defendant United States Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”) (collectively “the parties”), by and through counsel, submit this Joint Status Report pursuant to the Court’s Order. Dkt. No. 19. The only remaining issue in this Freedom of Information Act litigation is NWEA’s claim for costs and fees.

Since the parties’ last status report, NWEA provided EPA with a settlement proposal for its claim for costs and fees. EPA is currently obtaining authorization to enter into settlement discussions with NWEA. If resolved, the parties will dismiss this case without further judicial intervention.

The parties request that they be allowed to submit a status report to the Court in thirty days to allow EPA to obtain settlement authorization and in order to permit the parties with enough time to engage in settlement discussions. Good cause exists for this request

1 because, if settlement discussions are successful, this case would be fully resolved.
2 Accordingly, the parties jointly propose a joint status report to be filed on or before
3 December 3, 2020.
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5 Respectfully submitted this 3rd day of November 2020.

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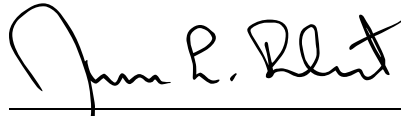
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[PROPOSED] ORDER

IT IS SO ORDERED. The parties will submit a joint status report on or before December 3, 2020.

Dated this 17th day of November, 2020.

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JAMES L. ROBART
United States District Judge